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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the second restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed October 1, 2002, for which a response was due on November 1, 2002, and for which a one-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from November 1, 2002, to December 2, 2002 (the first business day following December 1, 2002).

Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-16), without traverse. Applicants expressly reserve their right under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to file a divisional application directed to the nonelected subject matter during the pendency of this application, or an application claiming priority from this application.

The Examiner also requested election of a single disclosed species. In a telephone conference on May 28, 2002, the undersigned agent requested clarification of this requirement, and the Examiner indicated that a single unique chemical compound should be designated.

Applicants thus elect the following compound (designated SL-11144):

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which is the first compound appearing in claim 4. Applicants request rejoinder of the remaining species under 37 C.F.R. § 1.141(a) upon allowance of a claim generic to all species.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Assistant Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. <u>376462000400</u>. However, the Assistant Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: December 2, 2002

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